# PROPRIETARY SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### TO THE

# VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Holiday Inn Crossroads

#### **ACTION MINUTES**

**MEETING DATE:** November 13, 2002

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Butler, Vice Chair Christie Jaap

Mark Singer Robert McNeeley
Betty Dierstein Jack Kotvas

Bishnu Poudel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cordell Briggs

Ann Perry

OTHER PERSONS IN Jeff Moore

ATTENDANCE: Duane C. Sergent, department staff liaison

# Call to Order and Approval of Minutes from October 17, 2002 Meeting

Vice Chair, Bill Butler called the meeting to order at 9:50 am. The minutes from October 17 were reviewed, some minor corrections made and they were accepted.

# Issues Relating to Closure of A School; Teach-Out for Ameritrain Students Update on Applications to Student Tuition Guaranty Fund

Review of applications for reimbursement from the fund was deferred until a teach-out is in place. Duane C. Sergent provided an update on the status of the Department of Educations response to the Stratford University proposal for a teach-out of former Ameritrain students.

#### **Revisions to Proprietary School Regulations**

Duane C. Sergent briefly provided information relative to the policy of waiving requirements for the guaranty instrument after three years of operation. Clarification of the regulatory requirements of the guaranty instrument requirement is needed. Further review of regulations will be done in the future.

# Review of the Recommendations of the Advisory Committee

Mr. Singer proposed that the committee draft a letter to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, copying the President of the Board of Education and the Attorney General, framing the Ameritrain problem, referencing Maryland Higher Education's approach and the issue of a viable teach-out. Mr. Poudel made a motion to that effect.

Mr. McNeeley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The remainder of the meeting (with below exception) was spent on the committee drafting the letter, with Ms. Jaap serving as reporter and will word process the letter and send to committee members for review.

#### **Next Meeting and Other Business**

The next meeting of the Advisory Committee was set for March 12, 2003 at 9:30 a.m., Holiday Inn Crossroads

**Adjournment** The meeting was adjourned at 12:55